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C O N F I D E N T I A L MANILA 10917

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT LAUREL PAPERS

REF: STATE 196054

1. UPON RECEIPT REFTEL, I TELEPHONED SENATOR LAUREL TO INFORM HIM THAT SEARCH FOR PAPERS BELONGING TO HIS LATE FATHER HAD PROVED FUTILE IN WASHINGTON. LAUREL SAID HE HAD RECEIVED CABLE TO SAME EFFECT FROM AMBASSADOR ROMUALDEZ.

2. LAUREL, NEVERTHELESS, INTENDS TO GO TO WASHINGTON, WILL CALL ON PHILIPPINE DESK, HOPES TO MEET WITH HISTORIAN AND WITH ARCHIVIST IN ORDER TO "FILE A NEGATIVE REPORT" TO THE LAUREL FOUNDATION. HE DEAPRTS MANILA SEPTEMBER 16.

3. DURING CONVERSATION, LAUREL MENTIONED THAT HIS FATHER HAD BEEN DETAINED FOR SOME TIME IN 1945 IN SUGAMO PRISON, JAPAN AND WONDERED WHETHER THERE WERE PAPERS CONNECTED WITH THAT DETENTION IN ARMY RECORDS. I TOLD HIM I RECALLED A DOSSIER ON HIS FATHER WHEN I WAS IN SCAP IN 1951 AND WE ACTED TO RELEASE HIS FATHER'S PROPERTY IN JAPAN WHICH HAD BEEN SEQUESTERED BY OCCUPATION AUTHORITIES, BUT I COULD NOT RECALL WHETHER IT CONTAINED ANY "PAPERS" OF HIS FATHER. HE WILL WISH TO FOLLOW UP THIS ASPECT OF CASE PRESUMABLY WITH ARMY HISTORICAL PEOPLE.
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